WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1 1. A hydraulic control system for an automatic transmission,
- 2 comprising:
- 3 a hydraulic pressure source operative to discharge a
- 4 hydraulic oil amount;
- 5 a flow rate control valve disposed on a discharge side
- of the hydraulic pressure source, the flow rate control
- 7 valve including a displaceable spool formed with an orifice
- 8 and a drain hole, the drain hole having a communication area
- 9 which is fluidly communicated with an outside of the flow
- 10 rate control valve and varied during displacement of the
- 11 spool, the spool having a large stroke position where the
- 12 communication area is not less than a first predetermined
- 13 area, and a small stroke position where the communication
- 14 area is not more than a second predetermined area, the flow
- 15 rate control valve being operative to control a flow rate of
- 16 the hydraulic oil amount passing through the orifice by
- 17 regulating the hydraulic oil amount drained from the
- 18 communication area depending on displacement of the spool;
- 19 stroke position determining means for determining that
- 20 the spool is displaced from the large stroke position to the
- 21 small stroke position; and
- pressure regulator means for regulating a hydraulic oil
- 23 pressure downstream of the orifice, the pressure regulator
- 24 means correcting the hydraulic oil pressure downstream of
- 25 the orifice by adding a predetermined correction amount of
- 26 hydraulic pressure for a first predetermined time when the
- 27 stroke position determining means determines that the spool
- 28 is displaced from the large stroke position to the small
- 29 stroke position.
 - 1 2. The hydraulic control system as claimed in claim 1,
 - 2 further comprising a driving source coupled to the hydraulic

- 3 pressure source and rotatable to drive the hydraulic
- 4 pressure source, the first predetermined area being a
- 5 communication area of the drain hole which is communicated
- 6 with the outside of the flow rate control valve when the
- 7 rotational speed of the driving source is a first speed, the
- 8 second predetermined area being a communication area of the
- 9 drain hole which is communicated with the outside of the
- 10 flow rate control valve when the rotational speed of the
- 11 driving source is a second speed.
 - 1 3. The hydraulic control system as claimed in claim 1,
 - 2 further comprising a driving source coupled to the hydraulic
 - 3 pressure source and rotatable to drive the hydraulic
 - 4 pressure source, the stroke position determining means
 - 5 determining that the spool is displaced from the large
 - 6 stroke position to the small stroke position when a
 - 7 rotational speed of the driving source is decreased from a
 - 8 first speed to a second speed for a second predetermined
 - 9 time.
 - 1 4. The hydraulic control system as claimed in claim 3,
 - 2 wherein the first speed is set higher as the hydraulic
 - 3 pressure downstream of the orifice increases.
 - 1 5. The hydraulic control system as claimed in claim 3,
 - wherein the second speed is set higher as the hydraulic
 - 3 pressure downstream of the orifice increases.
 - 1 6. The hydraulic control system as claimed in claim 1,
 - 2 wherein the first predetermined time is set longer as a
 - 3 temperature of the hydraulic oil decreases.

- 7. The hydraulic control system as claimed in claim 1,
- 2 wherein the predetermined correction amount is set larger as
- 3 a temperature of the hydraulic oil decreases.
- 1 8. A method for hydraulically controlling an automatic
- 2 transmission supplied with a hydraulic oil amount discharged
- 3 by a hydraulic pressure source driven by a driving source,
- 4 the hydraulic oil amount discharged being controlled by a
- 5 flow rate control valve including a displaceable spool with
- 6 an orifice, the method comprising:
- 7 determining whether a driving source speed is not less
- 8 than a first speed;
- 9 determining whether the driving source speed is not
- 10 more than a second speed;
- 11 determining whether a first predetermined time has
- 12 elapsed when it is determined that the driving source speed
- 13 is less than the first speed and that the driving source
- 14 speed is not more than the second speed; and
- correcting a hydraulic oil pressure downstream of the
- 16 orifice of the flow rate control valve by adding a
- 17 predetermined correction amount of hydraulic pressure when
- 18 it is determined that the first predetermined time has not
- 19 elapsed.
 - 1 9. The method as claimed in claim 8, further comprising
 - 2 reducing the predetermined correction amount when it is
 - 3 determined that the first predetermined time has elapsed.
 - 1 10. The method as claimed in claim 9, further comprising
 - 2 determining whether the predetermined correction amount is
 - 3 zero.

- 1 11. The method as claimed in claim 10, wherein the
- 2 correcting operation is terminated when it is determined
- 3 that the predetermined correction amount is zero.
- 1 12. The method as claimed in claim 8, further comprising
- 2 counting a second predetermined time when it is determined
- 3 that the driving source speed is not less than the first
- 4 speed.
- 1 13. The method as claimed in claim 12, further comprising
- 2 reducing the second predetermined time as the driving source
- 3 speed decreases when it is determined that the driving
- 4 source speed is less than the first speed.
- 1 14. The method as claimed in claim 12, wherein the counting
- 2 operation of a second predetermined time is started
- 3 following a standby period for which the driving source
- 4 speed becomes not less than the first speed and decreases to
- 5 reach the first speed again.
- 1 15. The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein the first
- 2 speed is set higher as the hydraulic pressure downstream of
- 3 the orifice increases.
- 1 16. The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein the second
- 2 speed is set higher as the hydraulic pressure downstream of
- 3 the orifice increases.
- 1 17. The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein the second
- 2 predetermined time is set longer as a temperature of the
- 3 hydraulic oil decreases.

- 1 18. The method as claimed in claim 8, wherein the
- 2 predetermined correction amount is set larger as a
- 3 temperature of the hydraulic oil decreases.